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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO-1449. A copy of each reference is enclosed if available to the undersigned. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the reference be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

The applicant's representative directs the Examiner's attention to copies of articles enclosed. With the exception of the two discussion papers by Harrison, all articles were found on

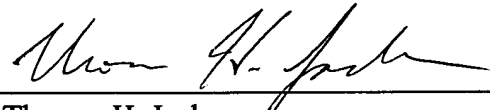
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This application was filed June 7, 2000. Consequently, due to the passage of time, some identified articles are no longer available on the web site while others are still available or later versions are available. There may be other articles on the site that the Examiner may find relevant to the present invention, and the Examiner is encouraged to review the IETF site.

The accompanying Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the U.S. filing date OR before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. No certification or fee is required. However, if a fee is deemed necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0733

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